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a faster bitterness decrease, compared to the Comparative Example in addition to the stabilization against crystal formation in solution.

The dimensions and values disclosed herein are not to be understood as being strictly limited to the exact numerical values recited. Instead, unless otherwise specified, each such dimension is intended to mean both the recited value and a functionally equivalent range surrounding that value. For example, a dimension disclosed as "40 mm" is intended to mean "about 40 mm."

All documents cited in the Detailed Description of the Invention are, in relevant part, incorporated herein by reference; the citation of any document is not to be construed as an admission that it is prior art with respect to the present invention.

While particular embodiments of the present invention have been illustrated and described, it would be obvious to those skilled in the art that various other changes and modifications can be made without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention. It is therefore intended to cover in the appended claims all such changes and modifications that are within the scope of this invention.

What we claim is:

1. A mouthwash oral composition comprising at least 0.5% by weight of the composition of pyrophosphate in an orally acceptable carrier, wherein the pyrophosphate is provided by a mixture consisting of disodium pyrophosphate and tetrapotassium pyrophosphate in a ratio from disodium pyrophosphate to tetrapotassium pyrophosphate in the range of 1:0.4 to 1:2.4 and wherein the pH of the composition is in the range of 6.0 to 8.0, wherein the orally acceptable carrier comprises less than 11% alcohol, wherein the maximum level of potassium in the composition is less than 210 mM.

2. The mouthwash composition according to claim 1, wherein the orally acceptable carrier comprises less than 9% alcohol by weight of the composition.

3. The mouthwash composition according to claim 2, wherein the orally acceptable carrier comprises alcohol in the range of 8% to 9% by weight of the composition.

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4. The mouthwash composition according to claim 1, wherein the orally acceptable carrier comprises from 60% to 95% water by weight of the composition.

5. The mouthwash composition according to claim 4, wherein the orally acceptable carrier comprises from 70% to 85% water by weight of the composition.

6. The mouthwash composition according to claim 1, wherein the orally acceptable carrier comprises a humectant.

7. The mouthwash composition according to claim 6, wherein the orally acceptable carrier comprises at least one of glycerin, propylene glycol, or sorbitol.

8. The mouthwash composition according to claim 6, wherein the composition comprises the humectant in the range of 4% to 8% by weight of the composition.

9. The mouthwash composition according to claim 1, wherein the composition comprises at least 1.0% pyrophosphate by weight of the composition.

10. The mouthwash composition according to claim 1, wherein the composition comprises at least 1.6% pyrophosphate by weight of the composition.

11. The mouthwash oral composition according to claim 1, wherein the maximal amount of the pyrophosphate in the composition is 2.8% by weight of the composition.

12. The mouthwash oral composition according to claim 11, wherein the maximal amount of the pyrophosphate in the composition is 2.3% by weight of the composition.

13. The mouthwash composition according to claim 1, wherein the pH of the composition is in the range from 6.5 to 7.5.

14. The mouthwash composition according to claim 1, wherein the ratio from disodium pyrophosphate to tetrapotassium pyrophosphate is in the range from 1:0.8 to 1:2.2.

15. The mouthwash composition according to claim 14, wherein the ratio from disodium pyrophosphate to tetrapotassium pyrophosphate is in the range from 1:1.0 to 1:2.0.

16. The mouthwash composition according to claim 1, wherein the composition comprises a fluoride ion source.

17. The mouthwash composition according to claim 1, wherein the composition further comprises an acceptance improving agent.

18. The mouthwash composition according to claim 1, wherein the composition comprises a crystal prevention score (CPS) in the range of from 80 to 100.

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